

## | SHOT BY A MASKED MAN

THE AGENT OF THE PALMER CASE  
PET MILLS DANGEROUSLY HURT

**Held Up by a Highwayman, Who Grasped His Horse's Bridle and Demanded His Money—Shot Twice After His Horse Had Broken Away from the Robber.**

PALMER, MASS., Oct. 9.—Andrew Pinne agent of the Palmer Carpet Company's mil

was attacked and shot twice by a masked man near the mill this afternoon. It is the custom of the company to pay the mill operatives every Friday afternoon.

Today a departure from this custom was made. The help was paid in the forenoon, and the mill closed at noon. Mr. Finney had been home to eat dinner, and was driving back to the mill, a distance of about a mile.

When within about a quarter of a mile from the mill, passing through the woods, a man sprang from behind the trees and grasped the horse's bridle. The man was dressed in brown clothes, wore a cap, and his whole face was covered with a black mask. He held a revolver in one hand.

Pauline, his daughter, started the horse.

The trunk struck Mr. Pinney's forefinger of the right hand, clipped the end, passed through the fleshy part of the thumb, and entered the right breast. The second shot lodged in the left arm, a short distance above the knee. Both balls entered beyond the reach of a probe and cannot be extracted. The one in the chest hurt the lungs, causing a slight internal hemorrhage. Upon the arrival of the police, the investigation by the superintendent, Joseph, Pace, to whom the case was referred, was completed. The engineer was released, and the case was referred to the coroner.

The fire alarm was rung, calling the firemen to the engine house, and a large searching party was organized. After a short time the cloth was found, and the man was found.

He had been hidden in the brush in the woods. This indicated that the man had been well prepared for his work. The searching party carried an abundance of firearms, and threats of speedy vengeance were made if the highwayman was caught.

seen near the Cayes farm late in the afternoon. He came from the woods and went back immediately. This is about three miles from the scene of the crime.

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**RIF PIRATES FIGHT SPANIARD**

**They Also Board a French Vessel and Carry Off the Captain.**

MADRID, Oct. 9.—News has been received by the government that the Riff pirates are again committing depredations upon passing vessels, having become bolder than ever. A strong band of Riffians boarded the French schooner *Corinto* off Alhucema, and, after pinioning

steamed, plundered the ship's cargo. The Spanish steamship Sevilla, conveying Cuban exiles to Ceuta, appeared upon the scene, and fired upon the pirates. The return shot was a direct hit, and the "Columbo" on the Sevilla was disabled. Among the Cuban prisoners was Oscar, the pirate finally retied, but carried with him the Captain of the Corinto. A Spanish warship has gone in search of the pirates.

Premier Canovas del Castillo, through Senor de Anasterio, has issued a note ordering the Spanish diplomatic agent at Tangier to make an energetic protest to the Government of Morocco against the depredations of the Rif and to demand that the Moroccan Government should join Spain in administering to the Rif outlaws such punishment as will put a stop to their

The Cuban exile Oscar, mentioned in the cablegram, must be Dr. Oscar de los Rios, a conspicuous Havana lawyer and property owner, who was arrested in that city about a year ago on a charge of treason. As there was no evidence against him, he could not be condemned, and Gen. Weyler started him to the Chaffarine Islands, on the coast of Morocco. Despatches from Spain received in Havana Oct. 25 said that he and other Cuban exiles had been released from there, where they were kept for the Chaffarines.

**Squire Pitcher Stepped on a Piece of Glass and Severed an Artery.**

LONG BRANCH, N. J., Oct. 9.—Edw. Inn Pitcher, a well-known Democratic politician who for more than a quarter of a century was Justice of the Peace, lies at his home in a critical condition as the result of an experiment in trying to cure rheumatism, with which he

was troubled for many years. For several days Mr. Pitcher has been trying the cure, taking early morning tramps in his feet. The remedy helped him more than the medicine he ever took. His friends were congratulating him that he would soon be spry as a boy of sixteen. While taking a tramp this morning Mr. Pitcher stepped on a piece of glass, entirely severing one of the main arteries of the foot.

The loss of blood rendered him unconscious and he fell on the asphalt pavement, where he was found by William Brown several hours later. Mr. Pitcher is now in the hospital.

**Big Tidal Wave on Georgia's Coast.**  
BRUSWICK, Ga., Oct. 9.—A big tidal wave came in on an October northeast to-day.

Citizens owning rice plantations are fearful that their entire unharvested crops are gone, as well as the marshes between Brunswick, Southern Railroad, Jacksonville, and other places.

**Fell Into the Soup.**  
PATERSON, Oct. 9.—James Ryan, a Peabody farmer, was slightly intoxicated when he walked into Robert Kiebler's saloon, at 8 Fair street, last night. He was seen by the proprietor, who told him to get out. Ryan refused to go, and was thrown out of the door. He fell into the soup, and was killed.

Yesterday morning. There was a big kettle of clam chowder steaming on a small oil stove, and Ryan, mistaking it for a stove, backed against it to get warm. He lost his footing and fell back into the kettle, his feet and head being the only parts of him visible. His cries brought the proprietor to his assistance, and he was pulled out. He is badly scalded, and was conveyed in an ambulance to St. Joseph's Hospital.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 6.—Mrs. Hermann O'rich and her sister, Miss Virginia Fair, have started for New York. They were served before their departure with subpoenas to present at trial of the so-called pencil case case, which is set for Nov. 9, before Judge Slack, but, as they are residents of New York they cannot be compelled to attend it. It is believed they will return voluntarily to testify.

**Ezra Racco, the Boy Murderer.**  
ST. JOSEPH, Mo., Oct. 9.—Ezra Racco, the year-old boy who confessed the murder of John Baumeier near Arkoe, is in jail here safe-keeping. He was brought to St. Joe yesterday. The boy repented his confession to "Are you not afraid of being lynched?" he asked, "I don't care if I am. I was his rapin."

**Embryo Tropical Storm in the Gulf.**  
This bulletin from Washington was received at the local Weather Bureau yesterday afternoon for distribution:  
"Conditions on the south Atlantic and Gulf coast are unusually threatening, and direct development of a tropical storm, though the threat has not yet made its ap-

**Latest Marine Intelligence.**  
Arrived—Steamship St. Louis, from South Amptn